

Everitt House
W side of Old Mine Road
Montague Vicinity
Montague Township
Sussex County
New Jersey

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Location: West side of Old Mine Road just north of Sandyston Township line, 2.2 miles southwest of Montague, Montague Township, Sussex County, New Jersey.

USGS Milford Quadrangle, Universal Transverse Mercator
Coordinates: 18.514900.4569590.

Present Owner: United States Government

Present Use: Demolished ca. 1975.

Significance: The Everitt House, said to have been built before 1750, is one of three houses in the Minisink Village area that dates from the eighteenth century. The other two are the William Ennes House (HABS No. NJ-431) and the Westbrook-Bell House (HABS No. NJ-435).

PART I. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement

1. Architectural character: While the basic stone structure is original, the many alterations have included wall dormers, a red tile roof, and two picture windows in the south gable end.
2. Condition of fabric: good.

B. Description of Exterior

1. Overall dimensions: The one-and-a-half-story house is laid out in an L shape. The front portion measures approximately 45' by 30' and the rear addition measures approximately 21' by 30'.
2. Foundations: rubble stonework.
3. Wall construction, finish, and color: The main house is gray limestone laid as rubble, but more carefully coursed on the front facade. The addition had white clapboard siding over wood frame.
4. Structural system, framing: The only interior part surveyed was the basement. Large hand-hewn beams were in evidence but it is possible that, although bearing resemblance to the original construction, this has been renovated. Other parts of the structural framing were inaccessible.

5. Porches: The 8' x 24' concrete-railed patio in the front is not covered and has a flagstone floor. There is also a flagstone terrace on the south side and another terrace at the rear.
6. Chimneys: There are two brick chimneys on the main house, one at each end, and one on the addition.
7. Openings:
 - a. Doorways and doors: There are stone relieving arches over the two front doors. The doors are recessed back into the wall about a foot. The board and batten doors to the basement appear to be original.
 - b. Windows: There have been extensive modifications, including cutting of large picture windows into the south wall and the addition of dormers. Most windows have six-over-six-light double-hung sash, some with beaded frames.
8. Roof:
 - a. Shape, covering: Gabled, covered with red Mediterranean tiles.
 - b. Cornice, eaves: Open eaves on the main house with a 2' overhang on ends.
 - c. Dormers: There are three wall dormers in front and two in rear of original house.
- C. Description of Interior:

The interior was not available for inspection.
- D. Site

There is a carriage house directly behind the residence. This is old, pegged construction, with a new addition. Other buildings include a barn and various cottages.

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PART III. PROJECT INFORMATION

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